OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL - Town of Ossian, Indiana

October 14, 2019 – 7:00 p.m. Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

Council President, Josh Barkley called the meeting of the Ossian Town Council to order with Council members, Bill Dowty, Brad Pursley and Renee Sweeney present. Jeff Kemper was absent.

Pursley moved to approve the minutes of the September meetings. Dowty seconded. Passed 4-0

Jim Breckler, from Engineering Resources, and Rose Barrick, from Stormwater Board, reported on the bids they received for the Rose Ann Heights Railroad Drainage Swale Project. Breckler recommended Hoosier Pride for the project. Breckler and Barrick informed Council that they met with the Railroad, Contractor, Stormwater Board, and Town Manager and they recommend moving forward with the project. Council discussed at length the prices given by the Railroad for extra engineering fees, the County Meadow Project, and other alternatives. Dowty moved to award the Rose Ann Heights Railroad Drainage Swale Project to Hoosier Pride, Barkley seconded. Sweeney opposed. Passed 3-1. Dowty moved to enter into agreement with Norfolk Southern Railway Company not to exceed \$24,753.00, Barkley seconded. Sweeney opposed. Passed 3-1

Upon consideration of the 2020 budget, Barkley asked if anyone had questions. Athena Brickley, Council-Elect, asked if the 2020 budget reflected the consideration for the building purchase. Erika Allison, Clerk-Treasurer, answered that a few funds, like the Police Court Cost Fund had been set at a higher budget in case Council decided to purchase the building. Sweeney moved to adopt the 2020 budget, Ordinance 19-10-1, as presented. Dowty seconded. Passed 4-0

Barkley opened bids for the Town's Garbage, Refuse and Recycling Contract. Bids were based on a three-year contract with a monthly customer rate.

<u>Bidder</u> :	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Avg. Cost
Advanced Disposal	\$16.10	\$16.58	\$17.08	\$16.587
Republic Services	\$15.98	\$16.51	\$17.06	\$16.517

Barkley moved to award the Town of Ossian garbage, refuse and recyclable contract to Republic Services, subject to review. Upon completion of review, Josh Barkley is authorized to sign contract with Republic Services. Discussion of contract will be revisited if any issues are found in review. Pursley seconded. Passed 4-0

Pursley moved suspend the rule, read and adopt Ordinance 19-10-2 for Garbage Fees, Sweeney seconded. Passed 4-0

Barkley moved to approve payment application 1 to Utility Service for the Water Tower Maintenance in the amount of \$144,459.00. Pursley seconded. Passed 4-0 Sweeney motioned to

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pay half of the payment (\$72,229.50) from the Water Fund and the other half from CEDIT. Pursley seconded. Passed 4-0

Barkley moved to approve Change Order 1 on the Water Tower Maintenance. Pursley seconded. Passed 4-0

Pursley moved to approve Payment Application #5 to Wayne Asphalt for the Mill St. Project, at a cost of \$220,434.40. Sweeney seconded. Passed 4-0

Sam Haiflich, Real Estate Broker representing the 215 N Jefferson Building, informed Council that the current monthly rent on the building is \$3,095. The Law Firm would agree to a one year lease for whoever purchases the building. The current listing price is \$180,099. Ben Fenstermaker stated that the Fire Dept. needs more space and that the building for sale is a good price. Martin informed Council that her utility departments can't afford the additional cost as they would still have to pay a portion of both buildings. The utility departments also need additional garage space which the new building wouldn't help with. Rigney added that the Police Dept. is out of space and the community would be better served with more space. Fenstermaker was asked if the Fire Dept. could afford the utilities of the current Town Hall if the Town employees and Police Dept. moved; Fenstermaker stated that they could. Pursley added that he was concerned about the operating expenses; he didn't think the budget could support the purchase. Others from the community also added to the discussion including Crystal Bonifas, Steve Bracke, and Athena Brickley. At the end of the discussion Barkley asked Sweeney if she and Kemper were taking the lead on this. Sweeney stated that she would talk with Kemper.

Council determined to take no action on the first utility rate adjustment as it did not meet the Town's criteria, but approved the second for an adjustment of \$64.89 for account 10360018.

Martin asked Council to allow a one-time credit to residents on W. Mill Street. The credit would be for 2,000 gallon usage to clean up the dust off their house. This would be for October only and residents would need to call in to claim. Council agreed upon unanimous consensus.

Linda Johnson asked if any decision had been made about the animal ordinance, specifically how it would affect her cat. Lisa Tarr asked if Hope Animal Clinic could speak at the next meeting for about 10 to 15 minutes to share some ideas of what they have seen work well in other communities. Barkley explained some of Council's options and that they are working on revising their Animal Ordinance.

Sweeney moved to approve time cards as presented. Dowty seconded. Passed 4-0

Pursley moved to approve claims of \$361,894.92 as presented. Sweeney seconded. Passed 4-0

Pursley moved to adjourn. Dowty seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

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Ossian Park Board

October 7, 2019

Attendance: Tim Rohr, Dodie Filchak, Ashley Harmon, and Joe Lewis

- 1. Read and approved minutes from August meeting.
- 2. Discussed ball diamond dirt. Town employees estimate approximately 247.3 ton of dirt and 16.7 ton of #8 limestone. No quotes obtained as of now.
- 3. Discussed minor league concession stand. Learned roof section fell on a lady. The building is unsafe. Luann to contact Ted Smith to have inspection performed.
- 4. Discussed budget. Currently we are \$7,215.16 in the hole.
- 5. Next Meeting on December 2, 2019
- 6. Meeting adjourned 7:40pm



BOARD OF METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSIONERS OSSIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT TOWN OF OSSIAN, WELLS COUNTY, INDIANA

2 October 2019

MEMORANDUM FOR POLICE COMMISSION

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SUBJECT: September Meeting Minutes

- 1. Minutes were recorded by Caleb Chichester on 4 September 2019. Commission members Chichester and Miller were present. The Town Council Police Commission Liaison, Dowty, was also present. Member(s) briefing the Police Commission included: Chief Rigney. Monthly meeting started at 1802hrs.
- Approval of August Minutes.
 Chichester pointed out that the month stated in the August minutes was written as July instead of August. Chichester suggested changing the month to August and motioned to approve the minutes with those changes. Miller seconded approval of minutes, the motion passed with a 2-0 vote.
- 3. Chief Rigney Monthly Statistics Report.

 4608 miles driven expense \$862.09. Expense is increasing due to more vehicles on the road and commuting miles increasing. We are still in good shape on the budget. 36.5 hrs of overtime at an expense of \$10,356.69 with a budget of \$172,615.39 and we are at \$173,179.96 giving us an overage of \$564.57. The overage is decreasing even though there was some unexpected overtime during this pay period. The overtime was due to some investigations that were happening.

Additionally, Chief Rigney updated that the officers have all been recertified on AED, CPR, and Narcan.

We have 4 non-certified and 2 certified applicants scheduled to attend testing on September 7.

- Sergeant Position.
 Miller motioned to table until current hiring process has ended. Chichester seconded. Motion passed 2-0.
- 5. Chichester motioned to adjourned the meeting, Miller seconded, the meeting ended at 1808 with a 2-0 vote.

MINUTES OSSIAN STORM WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD Tuesday, September 24, 2019 10:00 AM

Meeting called to order at 10am. Members present: Tim Miller, Rose Barrick, Luann Martin, and Jim Breckler. Resident Tony Crowell

Minutes: Tim made a motion to approve minutes for the August 27, 2019. Rose seconded.

OLD BUSINESS

RR Rose Ann Heights swale update: Bids were received; low bidder was Hoosier Pride Excavating. Bid tabs:

Bid Date: 9/12/2019 Print Date: 9/12/2019

TOWN OF OSSIAN ROSE ANN HEIGHTS RAILROAD DRAINAGE SWALE BID TABULATION

LINE#	DESCRIPTION	HOOSIER PRIDE EXAVATING, INC.	FLEMING EXCAVATING, INC.	CROSBY EXCAVATING, INC.	BERCOT, INC.	ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE
1	Base Bid: Railroad Drainage Swale Improvements	\$127,420.25	\$154,338.50	\$179,560.00	\$226,838.00	\$134,337.70
2	Base Bid: Contingency Work Allowance	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
3	Base Bid: Total	\$137,420.25	\$164,338.50	\$189,560.00	\$236,838.00	\$144,337.70
4	Alternate 1: Blake Swale Improvements	\$25,000.00	\$26,133.00	\$49,370.00	\$49,896.00	\$25,832.30
5	Alternate 2: Erosion Control Blanket Alternate	-\$24,000.00	-\$16,995.00	-\$14,000.00	-\$17,000.00	N/A
6	Base Bid + Alternate 1	\$162,420.25	\$190,471.50	\$238,930.00	\$286,734.00	\$170,170.00
7	Base Bid + Alternate 2	\$113,420.25	\$147,343.50	\$175,560.00	\$219,838.00	N/A
8	Base Bid + Alternates 1 and 2	\$138,420.25	\$173,476.50	\$224,930.00	\$269,734.00	N/A
9	Unit Price #1: Unsuitable Soil Excavation	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$14.75	\$25.00	N/A
10	Unit Price #2: Place Satisfactory Fill from Onsite Excess	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$12.50	\$15.00	N/A
11	Bid Form	X	X	X	X	N/A
13	Form 96	X	X	Х	X	N/A
14	Certification: E-Verify & U.S. Steel	X	х	X	х	N/A
15	Written Drug Testing Program	X	Х	X	X	N/A

We have 60 days to award the contract. Tim made a motion to recommend Hoosier Pride Excavating to council continent on coming to a fair agreement with the railroad about the flagmen costs, Rose seconded.

Draft agreement presented by Norfolk Southern

Preliminary Engineering:

\$6,493

Construction Engineering:

\$17,740

Accounting:

\$1,097

Flagging Services:

\$23,120

Totaling:

\$48,450

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The amount for the flagging is in question because flagging is only necessary when we are within 25' of the RR tracks. It is estimated that this will only be 1 or 2 days.

Ossian Industrial Park Drainage project: Fox has not addressed the issues of holding water yet. We are still holding final payment. Hillcrest Development has begun their tree removal and clean up.

Meadow Lane ERI reposted on updated costs for Option A: Storm Sewer System, Conceptual Construction Cost \$649,000. Option B: Driveway Culverts, Side Swales, Conceptual Construction Cost \$374,000. Option C: 12" Driveway Culverts, Side Swales, Limited Scope, Conceptual Cost \$206,000. ERI is to bring to next meeting an updated cost for options B & C to reflect entire street so that a fair comparison can be made. Crowell expressed his concern but understands the board is currently committed to the swale project and its need to be done first.

Budget: Checking \$214,764.51. Savings \$75,849.40

NEW BUSINESS

No new projects reported.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 29, 2019 at 10am at the Town Hall. Tim made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Rose.

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